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Over the past few years, I have also subscribed to DirecTV satellite TV service. With that subscription comes a partial (I believe partial anyway) subscription to XM Satellite Radio's music stations. I have certainly spent a great deal of time over the past year or so listening to the great music on XM as well while entertaining or looking for something to pass the time at home.

In my opinion, a potential combination of the great music on XM with the great music and NFL coverage on Sirius would be VERY exciting and a service to which this consumer would certainly continue to subscribe.

I understand that the possibility of the combined XM/Sirius service offers the potential for higher prices for the service. While satellite radio has many benefits as mentioned above, the truth is, I can find many other ways to stay informed and entertained on the road and at home. On the road, I always have the option for terrestrial radio, hooking up my iPod, or throwing in a CD. All of which can provide information and/or great music. The iPod and CDs, as you might expect, contain much music that I thoroughly enjoy, and that is something that I wouldn't hesitate to hook up and use at times with, or all of the time without, the option of satellite radio.

My outlook is very simple: Satellite radio service is a luxury. It is something that I certainly can live without, and is something that, once the price becomes too high, I simply will not pay for. The combined XM/Sirius loses my business if they decide to push the prices past my limit.

In short, I feel that the merger will benefit consumers, and these companies (combined company) have a LOT to lose if they make poor decisions including raising prices, cutting service, not reinvesting in R&D, etc.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and for taking the time to read my opinion.

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